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REPORT NO. [redacted]

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)

TOPIC Staaken airfield

EVALUATION see below

PLACE OF ORIGIN [redacted]

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DATE OF CONTENT 11 to 26 December 1950

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REMARKS [redacted]

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1. A VP Guard on the sector boundary on the southern edge of the Staaken (II 53/2 65) airfield, said on 11 December 1950:

"For about two weeks, troops, who came by truck or on foot from the direction of Doeberitz (II 53/2 65), arrived at the Staaken airfield during the night. The soldiers were not seen leaving, but were possibly evacuated by planes". *

2. There was intensive flying by twin-engine, low-wing monoplanes with radial engines and single-rudder assemblies on 11 and 15 December. From dawn to dusk the transports landed and took off from the field at intervals of 10 minutes. ** The planes taking off from the field headed toward the west and those which landed came from the west. The boundary lights were on between 5 and 7 p.m. and the searchlight near the radio installation west of the field was in motion. Not more than six to ten aircraft of the type mentioned above were parked in front of the hangars, on the southern section of the field. The planes were refueled from tank trucks. More soldiers than usual were seen near the aircraft. The color of their epaulets could not be determined. A new, wooden shed was set up near the radio installation west of the field.

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3. One twin-engine plane with single rudder assembly was parked in front of the large hanger on 26 December. Small single-engine aircraft were not seen at the field. There was no flying activity. A wooden garage for the radio truck was near the radio installation west of the field. Next to the garage was a truck covered with a tarpaulin. ***

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* Comment. The information has not been confirmed.

** Comment. The intensive flying on both days was confirmed by [redacted]

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The aircraft were used only for training flights in the vicinity of the field. The planes, a squadron or regiment, belong to the air transport unit stationed in Staaken.

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*** Comment. The radio installations were previously reported [redacted]

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